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Pastor Birner to Be Honored For His 50 Years of Ministry

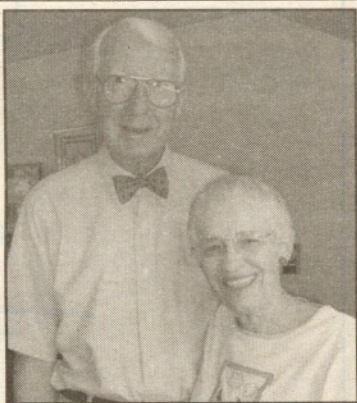
by Marat Moore

The Rev. Edward H. Birner, a well-known and respected member of the Greenbelt community, will be honored on Sunday, August 31, in celebration of the 50th anniversary of his ordination as a Lutheran pastor. His many friends, his family and members of the Holy Cross Lutheran Church will gather at a special "Festival Worship Service" at 10 a.m. that day. The public is invited to the reception that will follow in the fellowship hall. A dinner in his honor, which some 250 invited guests are expected to attend, will be held later in the day.

Although Birner served as pastor of Holy Cross for 40 years before retiring in 1993, his service to Greenbelt reaches far beyond the pulpit. He was the first and long-time chair of the Community Relations Advisory Board and for many years has been a member of the Outstanding Citizen Committee for Greenbelt's Labor Day Festival, a role he still enjoys.

The Church Down Under

Birner's experience and memories of the development of Holy Cross are interwoven with milestones of Greenbelt history –



Ed and Nancy Birner

PHOTO BY MARAT MOORE

church meetings held at the Center School and Old Greenbelt Theatre, negotiations with Congress to acquire church land and the coming of the Capital Beltway.

An Illinois native, Birner grew up in the ministry. His father served as pastor for Lutheran churches in the small community of Bunker Hill, Ill., and the larger town of Mattoon. His older brother studied for the ministry at Concordia High School and Junior College in Fort Wayne, Ind. After boning up on the required languages, including Latin and Greek, Birner transferred early to

Concordia to meet the language requirement and in his pastoral studies was assigned for a one-year internship to a place he'd never heard of – Greenbelt, Md.

"I thought, where in the world is that?" Birner recalled. When he arrived in 1951, Greenbelt was a town of 7,000 people – half of whom were children – and few roads. "There were kids everywhere and very little development," he said.

Birner helped build Holy Cross church, literally, from the ground up. Since the federal government owned the land, churches had to petition for the right to acquire building sites. Ground had been broken at 22 Ridge Road – the current site of Green Ridge House – for construction of the building. Meanwhile, the small congregation of about 100 still met at the Center School.

"It was a hole in the ground," says Birner with a laugh. "I was in charge, but knew nothing about construction."

Greenbelt Assignment

His internship year complete, Birner returned to seminary and at graduation, received his parish

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Ed Putens Is First to File For Re-election to Council

Edward V. J. Putens filed this week for re-election to the Greenbelt City Council. He is the first person to file, as he was two years ago. Nine other sets of nomination forms have been taken out according to



PHOTO BY EASTERN PHOTO

and three grown children – Kim, now married, and Ryan and Amy, both now living in GHI.

Putens has worked for the Federal government for 31 years and has received many awards and commendations.

Since 1987 he has been with the Food and Drug Administration. Putens previously served in a variety of senior management and staff positions for the Department of Labor, Office of Personnel Management and U.S. Postal Service.

Putens has continued to take a leading role to improve police protection and crime prevention. The council supported his initiative to use video cameras in strategic areas in the city (currently now in use at Roosevelt Center); to place two School Resource Officers in Greenbelt schools for security; and establish the Public Safety Advisory Committee. He successfully initiated

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Biography

Putens is completing his 11th term on the Greenbelt City Council. If re-elected, he would be the most senior member of Council in length of service. Putens has been a resident of Greenbelt for 36 years, living in Springhill Lake, Charlestowne North, Windsor Green and now in Greenbrook. He was born in Hazelton, Pa. and grew up in Baltimore. His family includes his wife Becky

Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Opening Ceremonies Friday at 7

by Patti Brothers

The Labor Day Festival opens Friday with the Opening Ceremonies and rolls on through the parade Monday morning, which will be followed by an afternoon of activities. In between, there are rides, games and sports for all ages, food for all palates, music and stage events for all preferences, the Miss Greenbelt Pageant for all viewers and a good time to be had by all. It is the traditional end to summer in Greenbelt, when friends and neighbors catch up with each other and reminisce about old times and past festivals. There will be plenty to do the entire weekend.

Contingency Plans

Rain is not expected but in the case of short, spotty showers, all outdoor activities will continue. In the event of heavy, continued rain, entertainment (as well as the pageant) will move into the Community Center gym and bingo will move into the Youth Center gym. The Information Day tables will be in the multi-purpose room in the Community Center. Food booths, game booths and the book sale will move into the hallways of the Community Center, as space allows. The festival's Informa-

Friday, August 29	
6 p.m.	Carnival Midway Opens
7 p.m.	Opening Ceremonies, 2003 Outstanding Citizen Presented
7:45 p.m.	Miss Greenbelt Pageant Opens
9 p.m.	Diamond Alley – Contemporary and Classic Hits.

Ride the Festival Shuttle Bus – see the program/pullout from last week's edition of the News Review – or call the number below.

For Festival Information call 301-345-0204.

tion Booth will be at the intersection of the two main hallways of the Community Center on the first floor.

Games/Activities

In addition to the ongoing activities on the stage and at the carnival, which were highlighted last week, the festival features a variety of games, shows and other activities, sponsored by the city's Recreation Department or the Festival Committee. Participants are welcome to all events, the registration to which is free (except the 15K run). Registrations in most events are accepted right up to the start of the activity. As with all festival events, attendance is free. Check for details about each event in the pullout/program included in last week's edition of the paper.

The Table Tennis tournament will be held on Friday beginning at 5 p.m. at the Youth Center. The David R.S. Craig Memorial softball game takes place at 7 p.m. on Friday at Braden Field #2. On Saturday morning at 8:30, the Kid's Games (sponsored by the Recreation Department) will be held on Braden Field. There will be the diaper derby for crawlers, a foot race for 1 year olds, and varied and assorted games for kids all the way up to 12 years of age. Ribbons and prizes will be awarded in each category.

The Annual Slow Pitch tournament and the Reds Memorial Singles horseshoe tournament both begin on Saturday at 9 a.m.

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Music Takes Over Stage On Every Festival Day

by Patti Brothers

The stage at this year's festival will host some of the area's best bands – as well as a very special one from Hollywood.

Shoe Suede Blues

The day-time stage this year will host a band that is a real treat for the festival. That band is Shoe Suede Blues, featuring Peter Tork (of The Monkees) who will perform on Monday, September 1 from noon to 3 p.m. This is a return engagement for this group and the festival is fortunate to have them back. This band was formed in 1994 when Peter Tork and friends Tadg Galleran and Michael Sunday were asked to put together a band for a benefit dance. Following the performance requests began to arrive for performances at other benefits, local night clubs and local events. The band was then asked to perform on Cox Cablevision and at the 30th Anniversary Monkees Convention in 1997. The band

plays a lively and unique combination of blues, rhythm and blues, blues rock and pop from such legends as Muddy Waters, Wilson Pickett, Chuck Berry, Little Richard, Bob Dylan, The Coasters and The Monkees, of course.

Band members include Peter Tork, a former member of the world-famous 1960's pop group The Monkees. He plays a myriad of instruments, including the 5-string banjo, piano/keyboard, drums, guitar and bass. With Shoe Suede Blues he mainly plays guitar and sings lead and backup. Tadg Galleran, who appeared in the original cast of Hair in both Broadway and Los Angeles, and has performed with the well-known King Brothers Blues Band, plays the keyboard and harmonica and adds both lead and backup vocals. Michael Sunday, who played with the

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What Goes On

Friday, August 29 to Monday, September 1
Greenbelt Labor Day Festival.

Thursday, September 4

7:30 p.m., GHI Board Meeting, Board Room.

Sunday, September 7

1 to 5 p.m., Artful Afternoon, Community Center.

Women Lose by One Run in Benefit Game

by Jarrett Eppard-Wilcots

Greenbelt's "hottest matchup of the season" took place Wednesday, August 13 at Northway Fields between the SKG men's slow-pitch softball team – named after Steve "Kiko" Gingell, a teammate who died of cancer three years ago – and members of the Greenbelt Women's Fast-Pitch Softball League (GWFPSL). The exhibition game, which was organized to raise funds for the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department (GVFD) in order to help restore an original 1935 Ford-Howe Pumper, turned out to be a scintillating contest between two talented teams.

Prior to the game an anxious Jay Remenick, president of the GVFD, looked up at an overcast sky, expressed concern about the weather and said, "I just want everyone to have fun and have a good turnout." And that's exactly what he got, an exciting game enjoyed by many. It was such a success in fact that organizers, who came up with the clever "The Beauties and The Beasts" title, hinted at plans to make this an annual event.

Onlookers, who didn't seem bothered by the sticky heat and the swarms of mosquitoes, got more than their money's worth as the SKG men's team earned a 4-3 victory against the women – who ironically wore jerseys labeled "Beast" – with solid team defense and smart baserunning. The teams played fast-pitch, the women supplying the men with a pitcher and catcher.

In the first two innings neither team was able to generate much offense and it looked as though a pitcher's duel was in the making. In the top of the third inning, however, the men scored the first run of the game on a sacrifice fly to center with one out. The strat-



Members of the GVFD were out in full force to cheer on the ball players and to help with the cooking. From left are: Tick Magnum, chair of Fundraising Committee; Chris Fleshman, vice president; and Jay Remenick, president.

egy they talked about before the game of just wanting to hit the ball seemed to change to a focus on winning almost immediately. By the next inning the men had opened up a 3-0 lead that appeared difficult for the women to overcome.

The highly-competitive women were not ready to give up though and with the crowd behind them the women rallied back in the bottom of the fourth scoring three runs to tie the game 3-3. At one point during the rally the women squelched worries about their strength when one team member hit a line drive that whizzed past a surprised SKG third baseman. The well-hit single drew applause from the crowd and snickers from the SKG bench.

The men quickly struck back in the top of the fifth inning on an RBI double to take the lead 4-3. To begin the seventh and final inning, the women's team looked to play catch up once again, but after the leadoff batter reached first base upon being struck by a pitch, their hopes for victory were stifled by a nice double play on a bunt to the catcher.

According to third baseman Rita Horning, the women "were surprised by the men's speed and ability to adjust to the fast-pitch and were disappointed by the loss but [they] were most concerned about the turnout and glad to see the support. We can't wait for next year's rematch." On the men's side third baseman Tony Pultz summed up his fellow players' sentiment and stated that he "has much more respect for the women and their game" after

playing against them.

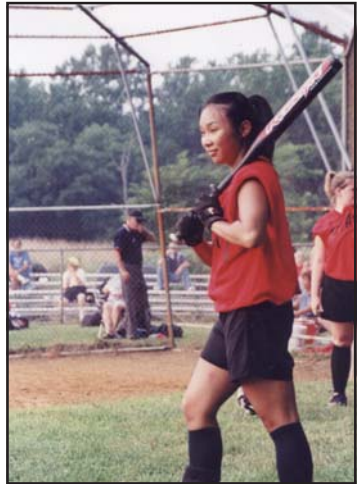
Women's team coach Tony Callaway, strongly confident of his players, seemed surprised at the end result. But he was delighted at the way that "neither team laid down and everyone gave it their all" and was also excited about the opportunity to make this an annual event.

Kelly Ivy, head of the GWFPSL and one of the event's organizers, had a lot riding on this game since a lot of people he had talked to thought it was a bad idea and were worried about the women getting hurt by the men's strength. Ivy, full of smiles after the game, spoke of how successful the event was and estimated that of all the money generated 80 to 85 percent of it would end up as profit.

Supporters who were unable to attend the event who would like to support the fire truck restoration efforts are encouraged to send donations to GVFD, P.O. Box 35, Greenbelt, MD 20768.



Batter up.



PHOTOS BY LINDA SIADYS

Janet Banas steps to the plate for the "Beasts."

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

Week of August 29
Le Divorce (PG-13)

Friday
*5:00, 7:30, 9:55

Saturday
*2:30, *5:00, 7:30, 9:55

Sunday
*2:30, *5:00, 7:30

Monday
*2:30, *5:00, 7:30

Tuesday - Thursday
*5:00, 7:30

*These shows at \$5.00

301-474-9744 • 301-474-9745
129 Centerway
www.pgtheatres.com

WATER POLO EXHIBITION Sunday, August 31st 8-10 p.m.



Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center

All are invited to come out and find out what this sport is all about. Listen to the tunes of Wayne Brown & the 2nd Conspiracy as they play right outside the Aquatic Center. Indoor water polo will resume on Saturday nights beginning September 13 at 9 p.m. For more info contact Larry Hilliard at 301-474-7504.

PETITION TO COUNCILMEMBERS, CITY OF GREENBELT

I/we are concerned about the potential impact of the USA PATRIOT Act on the constitutional right of our local residents, and so support the proposal of the Greenbelt Bill of Rights Defense Coalition for a City Council Resolution to Protect Civil Liberties in Greenbelt (posted on www.justpeace-pgmd.org). Please vote in favor of this measure.

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone no./e-mail _____

Return to Bert Donn, 19 Woodland Way, Greenbelt, MD 20770
301-474-1353

PAID ADVERTISEMENT

The Old Curmudgeon



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"This holiday always lifts my spirits!"

PRELIMINARY AGENDA MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, September 4, 2003

7:30 p.m.

GHI Board Room



Key Agenda Items

- Allocation of Surplus for Maintenance Projects
- Member Request for Exception – 42E Ridge Road
- Purchase of Used Vehicle – 2nd Reading
- Assign Board Tasks
- Schedule Woodlands Walk

Regular board meetings are open to members.

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James Giese, president; Eileen Farnham, vice president; Diane Oberg, treasurer; Mary Moien, secretary; Virginia Beauchamp, Barbara Hopkins, and Judy Bell.

DEADLINES: Letters, articles and ads—10 p.m. Tuesday. Materials for publication may be mailed to address above, deposited in our box in the Co-op grocery store (by 7 p.m. Tuesday) or brought to our office in the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, during office hours. Mail subscriptions—\$35/year.

Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.
OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.

GIAC Needs Help For Info Booth

Greenbelt Internet Access Cooperative (GIAC) needs people to staff their Information Day booth at the Roosevelt Center between 10a.m. and 4p.m. Six to eight people are needed to volunteer an hour to tell others about the benefits of using GIAC to receive internet access. Being part of a cooperative means sharing some of the work.

People who would be able to help in either the booth or parade should contact Mary Camp at giac@greenbelt.com or leave a message on GIAC's voice mail 301-419-8044 as soon as possible.

At the Library

Monday, September 1, Libraries closed for Labor Day.

Wednesday, September 3, 10:30 a.m. Cuddletime for ages 12 to 24 months with caregiver.

Thursday, September 4, 10:30 a.m. Drop-In Storytime for ages 3 to 5.

Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald

A pot luck luncheon was enjoyed by the Golden Age Club on August 20. The August birthday honorees present were Mary Gardner, Solange Hess, Margaret Smith and Paul Sobal. Winners of the birthday raffle were Solange Hess and Mary Gardner.

Joe Rimar read the August birthday poem and a delightful new poem "Forgiveness." Many thanks to "Uncle Joe" for his original poems.

The Travel Committee is planning a trip to see "Nunsense" at the Timonium Dinner Theater on November 2 and to the Marvin Hamlisch concert at the Kennedy Center on December 10. There is a fee for these trips.

The 50/50 winners were Ruth Swoben and Leney Holohan.

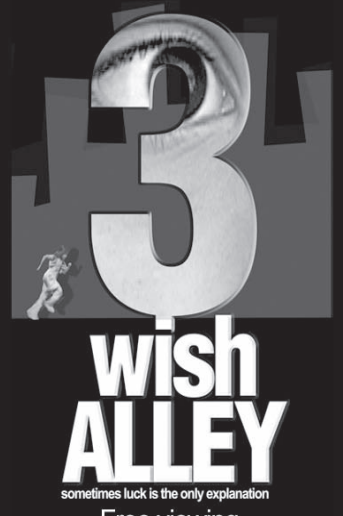
All members who are ill are in our thoughts and prayers. Ernie Varda needs special prayers at this time.

Genealogical Group Meets in Library

The Prince George's County Genealogical Society will present Lorraine Minor speaking on "LDS Family History Centers & familysearch.org" from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, September 3 at the Greenbelt Public Library.

Park in the rear and use the ground-level entrance. A brief business meeting is held to update attendees on upcoming society activities, followed by a short refreshment break and then the guest speaker for the evening. Guests are always welcome. For further information call 301-262-2063 (Wednesday only).

From Writer Bill Williams and Director Micheal McMullin



3 wish ALLEY

sometimes luck is the only explanation

Free viewing
Sun 10pm / Mon 12 noon
Old Greenbelt Theater

Community Events

Invasive Plants Are Park Target

Help protect Greenbelt Park from harmful invasive plants. Join a hands-on nature preservation activity and learn about native and non-native plants. Come on Saturday, September 6 at 11 a.m. to the Sweetgum Picnic area.

This program will take place the first Saturday of every month, rain or shine. Wear appropriate clothing, work gloves and bring lunch/snack and water. This is a partnership between the Greenbelt Park and the University of Maryland. Greenbelt Park's entrance is located between Kenilworth Avenue and the Baltimore/Washington Parkway at 6565 Greenbelt Road.

For information contact Greenbelt Park at 301-344-3944 or visit <http://www.nps.gov/gree/>.

Register for Adult Education Classes

Registration for Prince George's County Public Schools adult education classes will be held on Monday, September 8 and Wednesday, September 10 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Media Center at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Classes are being offered in reading, pre-GED and all levels of ESL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) from beginning through advanced ESL.

Applicants should be prepared to take a placement test the night of the registration to determine class placement. There is a fee for the GED level class and the advanced ESL class. All other classes are free with a fee for books.

Classes begin on Monday, September 15. Classes are held on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. Registrants must be 16 years of age and officially withdrawn from day school. There are no other requirements to register for the program.

CARES to Sponsor GED Course Again

Greenbelt CARES is publicizing its Fall 10-week GED course from September 16 through November 20. Registration will be held on Tuesday, September 16, beginning promptly at 10:30 a.m. The first class of instruction will be held on Thursday, September 18. GED is held every Tuesday and Thursday for 10 weeks in the Municipal Building Conference Room, 25 Crescent Road.

GED I is held from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Students taking this course need review of basic math (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, fractions, decimals, percentages and word problems) and English grammar skills.

GED II is held from 1 to 3 p.m. Students taking this course have successfully completed GED I and/or are ready to learn algebra and geometry, English literature and writing skills and prepare to take the GED test.

Students are required to show proof of residency (i.e. current lease, phone or electric bill, driver's license or Motor Vehicle I.D. card).

There is no charge for Greenbelt residents in either course. Non-Greenbelt residents are required to pay a registration fee. All students are required to purchase a copy of the GED textbook and calculator (purchased from Greenbelt CARES).

Students should be 16 years of age in order to enroll in CARES' GED course. Students can take the GED practice test at Greenbelt CARES at no cost. The State of Maryland administers the actual GED test, but Greenbelt CARES can provide the student the application form needed to register for the GED test.

Questions and enrollment information regarding either GED I or GED II should be directed to Judy Hering, course instructor, Greenbelt CARES, by calling 301-345-6660 ext. 144 or email: jhering@ci.greenbelt.md.us.

GHI Notes

Meetings for the week of September 1 through 5.

September 1 - GHI offices will be closed to commemorate Labor Day. For emergency maintenance that day call 301-474-6011.

September 2 - Sellers' Seminar 7:30 p.m., Board Room

September 4 - Board of Directors meeting, 7:30 p.m., Board Room

September 6 - Pre-Purchase Orientation, 11 a.m., Board Room.

No blood pressure testing at GHI until further notice.

Pooch Plunge

Greenbelt's first ever swim/splash party for dogs will be held at the outdoor pool of the Aquatic and Fitness Center from 11a.m. to 2p.m. on Saturday, September 6. Registration will be held at the Planning and Animal Control booth at the Labor Day Festival. Registration will be limited to 50 dogs and 50 handlers. There is a nominal fee. The kiddie pool will be available for small dogs. Priority will be given to Greenbelt residents. Rain or shine.

Water Polo Demos Sunday at Festival

A rock 'n roll-enhanced exhibition of water polo will be held at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center on Sunday, August 31 from 8 to 10 p.m. Participants from this summer's water polo program are invited and anyone else who wants to see what it's all about can look in, too. The participants hope to overhear the Labor Day Festival entertainment, while introducing some newcomers to the sport of water polo. Indoor water polo will resume on Saturday nights beginning September 13 at 9 p.m.

News Review Holiday Schedule

The Greenbelt News Review office will be closed Monday, September 1 in commemoration of Labor Day. Copy and ads may be brought to the office on Tuesday, September 2 from 2 to 4 and 8 to 10 p.m.

Music, Art Combo For Kids 6 to 13

Local homeschoolers ages 6 to 13 will have an opportunity to study with Greenbelt musician and songwriter Melissa Sites and arts educator Barbara Simon. The two artists are collaborating on a ten-week music and art class which will culminate in a performance on the 11th week. In music the children will start with the basic concepts of Western music, focusing on narrative. Then, they will move through ideas of rhythm, using Latin American music and end with the Japanese concept of simplicity. Classes will emphasize singing, dancing and composition. In art, the classes in painting will complement the music themes starting with American narrative painting, continuing with the influence of color and pattern in Latin American folk art and modern painting and ending with lessons from Japanese brush painting.

The classes will run Tuesday afternoons from 12:45 to 3p.m. starting September 16. Meeting space for the classes has been donated by Mowatt Methodist Church. Through the generosity of the Greenbelt Arts Foundation and Realty 1, local homeschoolers will be able to take advantage of partial scholarships granted to Greenbelt Home Learning Co-op's music and art class. Internships are available for students 14 years old and older. For an application, fee and other information, contact Deborah Taylor at 301-345-2485 or by email at PGHLNeditor@aol.com (email preferred). Scholarship applications are due Friday, September 5.

Enjoy the Festival


1st Annual Tessa Osborne Memorial Bingo Game

Sunday, August 31, 7:30 p.m.
Community Center Lawn

\$100.00 minimum prize!

Benefits United Cerebral Palsy & St. Hugh's CYO

Crowd the tables and play the "Big T"



GHI MEMBERS

You are invited to attend a
MEMBER INPUT SESSION

with
The Board of Directors and Finance Committee
on
Thursday, September 18, 2003
7:00 p.m.
GHI BOARD ROOM

Members are invited to join in preliminary 2004 budget discussions. Don't miss this opportunity to offer input to this important process.



ATTENTION PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI), one of the largest and most established housing cooperatives in the country, is offering brief and informative presentations designed to introduce cooperative life style to you. The presentation will explain what a cooperative is, how it operates, what services are provided members and financing sources which are available. This information will be useful to you whether or not you purchase membership in the cooperative or decide to purchase a home elsewhere. This is an ideal opportunity for you to learn about GHI in a relaxed atmosphere and afford you the opportunity to make an informed decision about your future housing needs.

The next presentations are scheduled as follows:

Saturday, September 6	11 a.m.
Monday, September 22	7:15 p.m.

Please call the receptionist at 301-474-4161 for reservations and information. The sessions are free and there is no obligation. There are lists of "Homes for Sale" at the GHI office. There is no charge.

GREENBELT HOMES, INC.
Hamilton Place
Greenbelt, Maryland 20770



Obituaries

John G. Kramer

Greenbelt Pioneer John G. Kramer, 90, died Thursday, August 21, 2003, at Laurel Hospital. He was born and raised in Chambersburg, Pa. and was the beloved husband of the late Ruth L. Kramer for 67 years. He moved into 1-A Southway in January 1938. In 1952 he moved to College Park where he lived for 50 years. Since July 2002 he lived at the Hillhaven assisted living facility in Adelphi.

Mr. Kramer came to this area as a young man to work for the federal government. He started his career with the U.S. Patent Office and then transferred to the city post office and the post office department, Washington, D.C., where he spent most of his career. He retired in 1969.

He was an air raid warden in Greenbelt during World War II and manager of the Greenbelt band for several years. He was an active member at the Greenbelt Community Church since it was founded. When he retired, he maintained the grounds of the church for over 20 years and could be seen almost every Thursday morning mowing the grass and trimming bushes. He often had his grandsons as helpers.

After his retirement he took up fishing as a hobby and was a regular at Greenbelt Lake. He helped numerous young children and adults to learn how to fish. The Prince George's Journal did a feature article on him fishing at Greenbelt Lake in June 1995.

Mr. Kramer is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Mary Ann and Edward Halley, Jr. of College Park; brothers Horace of Sun City, Ariz. and Richard of Chambersburg, Pa.; grandsons John, Robert, Edward III and James Halley and great-grandchildren John Michael, Patrick, Andrew, Edward IV, Bradley, James Jr., Christopher and Emma Halley.

Memorial services were held Wednesday, August 27 at the Greenbelt Community Church. Memorial contributions may be made to the Greenbelt Community Church.

Dayton W. Hull

Former Greenbelter Dayton W. Hull, 89, died of a heart ailment on August 7, 2003 at his home in Largo, Fla.

He was a Greenbelt pioneer, living first at 8-A Hillside Road and later at 2-B Woodland Way. While in Greenbelt Mr. Hull was active in Greenbelt Consumer Services and Greenbelt Homeowners' Cooperative, serving as president in both organizations.

A native of Summit, New Jersey, he graduated from Harvard University and after earning a Ph.D. from Harvard in 1938, worked for the Agriculture Department in personnel.

Mr. Hull served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. After the war he began working for the State Department in the U. S. embassy in Greece.

From 1950 to 1965 he was chief of the State Department's allowances division.

After retirement in 1968 he was a delegate to the United Nations Special Committee to review the U.N. salary system.

His first wife, Anne G. Carter Hull, a former editor of the News Review, died in 1964.

He is survived by his wife Bettie H. McGlaufflin, Greenville, N. C.; four children from his first marriage, Deborah Robin Dizard, Amherst, Mass.; Carter C. Hull, Silver Spring; Charles H. Hull, Dartmouth, Mass.; and John T. Hull, Herndon; four stepsons, Arthur M. McGlaufflin and William H. McGlaufflin, Greenville; Thomas L. McGlaufflin, Sycamore, Ill. and Robert S. McGlaufflin, Ashville, N.C.; brother Perry Hull; sister former Greenbelter Naomi Carman, Bloomington, Ind.; 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Henry V at Buddy Attick Park



PHOTO BY NANCY HARDY

Shakespeare on the Green, shown here performing at Buddy Attick Park, will have its last two performances this Saturday and Sunday at 5 p.m. in the Greenbelt Arts Center. (L to R) Joshua Engel as Henry V, Bob Hardy as Sir Thomas Erpingham, Megan Whiting as Duke of Bedford and Susanne Sonnabend as Duke of Gloucester.

MVA Holiday Closing

The MVA will close its full service and express offices on Saturday, August 30, and Monday, September 1 in observance of the Labor Day holiday. All Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program (VEIP) stations will also be closed.

Customers needing to renew a vehicle registration of a passenger vehicle, motorcycle, light duty truck or small trailer are encouraged to take advantage of the MVA's other options: renew online at www.marylandmva.com; renew by telephone at 1-888-834-7344; or renew at one of 12 kiosk locations. The closest kiosks to Greenbelt are located at the Beltsville MVA and Beltway Plaza in Greenbelt. Services available on the eMVA kiosks include registration renewal, driving record ordering, PIN management, change-of-address and VEIP extension requests.

Greenbriar's Blood Drive a Success

The community of Greenbelt showed tremendous response to a blood drive organized by the Greenbriar Community Association in conjunction with the American Red Cross.

Thirty-two potential donors participated in the blood drive held on Saturday, August 23 in the Greenbriar Community Building. From those thirty-two individuals, the Red Cross was able to collect twenty-eight units of blood.

In the wake of a recent plea for blood donations made by the American Red Cross, the American Association of Blood Banks and America's Blood Centers, the Greenbriar Community Association's efforts to increase awareness and donations throughout the community was a much-needed success.

BARC Allowed To Hunt Deer

by Elain Skolnik

John Van De Vaarst, Deputy Area Director of Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) has advised the city that BARC has been given a "crop damage permit" which allows the removal of up to 50 deer, according to a memorandum David Moran, assistant to the city manager, sent to the Greenbelt City Council. The permit was issued by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources.

Over population of deer has caused serious problems on the approximately 6,600-acre research facility, causing extensive damage to research being done on its fields. Phyllis Johnson, director of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Beltsville Area told the city council at a July 28 meeting that hunters have helped keep deer under control during the official hunting season but that deer continue to be a serious detriment to the land.

Van De Vaarst told the city that the hunting will be done during daylight hours by certified BARC employees using tree stands. It will occur in several locations, including the Getty Tract (also known as Golden Field) near Research Road.

Baha'i Faith

Greenbelt Baha'i Community
P.O. Box 245
Greenbelt, MD 20770
301-345-2918 301-220-3160

www.bahai.org/

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Corner of Crescent and Greenhill Roads 301-474-4212
www.greenbeltbaptist.org greenbelt.baptist@verizon.net
Dr. Mark Johnson, Pastor



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Wed. Praise and Prayer 7:00 pm
Wed. Living Proof, Youth Event 7:00 pm

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MASS SCHEDULE:

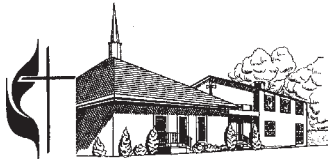
Sunday 8, 9:30, 11 a.m.
Saturday 5 p.m.

Daily Mass: As announced
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:45-4:45 p.m.
Rev. Thomas F. Crowley, Pastor
Rev. R. Scott Hurd, Pastoral Associate
Part Time Ministry

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301-474-9410

SUNDAY
Sunday School 9:45 am
Talk & Listen (Coffee Hr.) 10:15 am
Worship Service 11:00 am
Tues. Lectionary Study 7:00 am
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm
Third Friday, Games Night 7:30 pm

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Aug. 31, "Truly Religious to Be"
Labor Sunday - Commissioning

Greenbelt Community Church UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



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The Ordination of Pastor Edward Birner
Sunday, August 31, 2003

Festival Worship 10:00 am.m
Reception Immediately Following

(Sorry, the dinner has reached capacity
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August 31, 10 a.m.
"Beckoning Others to Join Us
on Our Journey"
Jan Bodner with Jennifer Grant,
worship associate



Barbara Wells and
Jaco B. ten Hove,
co-ministers



Catholic
Community
of Greenbelt

SUNDAY MASS, 10:00 AM
MUNICIPAL BUILDING

SERVE BREAKFAST
AT S.O.M.E.

Sunday, August 31, 2003

Meet at St. Hugh's School
Parking Lot, 6:00 AM



Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death of two Greenbelt pioneers. John Kramer, once manager of the the Greenbelt Band and a longtime member of Greenbelt Community Church, died on August 25, 2003. Our sympathy to his daughter Mary Ann Halley and family.

Dayton A. Hull, former president of Greenbelt Consumer Services and Greenbelt Cooperative Homeowners, died on August 7 in Largo, Fla. Our sympathy to his family.

Our sympathy to Jeannie Smith and family on the death of her mother, Lena Sidone.

Dorothy McGee, the creator of the "Our Neighbors" logo, celebrated her 97th birthday on August 23 at home with her family at 7-D Hillside Road. Artists from New York City, Dottie McGee and her husband Johnny came to Greenbelt in 1942 when he was stationed in Washington.

Johnny McGee had seen the film "The City" at the 1939 World's Fair and put their names on Greenbelt's waiting list even before they were married. When they got to Greenbelt, they were delighted to find that friends from New York City, Mollie and Izzy Reuben, were their neighbors. Their daughter Barbara was born after a blizzard and



Dorothy McGee with daughters Barbara (Simon) and Kathleen, taken at 25 Court Ridge in 1947.

Dottie remembers that getting into D.C. during war time was not easy. When Kathleen, their second daughter, came along, the McGees moved from 2-C Crescent Road to 25-D Ridge Road and, in 1953, to Hillside Road. Staunch co-operators from the start, Dottie was for several years a member of the News Review's staff. Later, when friends were retiring to Florida, Dottie wondered "Why? Why would anyone want to leave Greenbelt?"



The Greenbelt Homes, Inc.'s Labor Day booth will be raffling off two "Best of Greenbelt" baskets. The baskets contain certificates and merchandise donated by local businesses. One basket contains donations worth over \$1,000 and one basket over \$500. The cost for a ticket is 50 cents each or 3 for \$1.00. Donations include Ravens tickets, Redskins tickets, certificates for dinner, pet food, merchandise such as mugs, T-shirts and hats and a lot more. Hope to see you at the GHI Booth. All proceeds will be applied towards the celebration of the Rehab Loan Payoff on October 5.

Greenbelt Homes, Inc. thanks the following business for their donations:

Beltway Plaza –

Bang's Watch – 301-345-2662
Beltway Plaza Hardware – 301-345-2662
Eye Works Vision Care Center – 301-345-9444
Fashion Bug – 301-441-1257
Gold's Gym & Aerobic Center – 301-982-6700
Jeepers! – 301-982-2444
JoAnn's Fabric and Crafts – 301-220-2184
McDonalds Restaurant – 301-614-3128
PetsMart – 301-474-8334

Greenway Shopping Center –

Curiosity Shoppe – 301-345-7999

Roosevelt Center –

Centerway Mini Mart – 301-345-7321
David R. Cross, Attorney at Law – 301-474-5192
Domino's Pizza – 301-474-3030
Generous Joe's Deli – 301-474-4998
Greenbelt Auto and Truck Repair – 301-982-2582
Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket – 301-474-0522
Greenbelt Museum Gift Shop – 301-474-1936
Greenbelt Pottery – 301-982-1968
Greenbelt Recreation – 301-397-2200
Greenbelt Mobil Service Center – 301-474-8348
New Deal Café – 301-474-5642
Pleasant Touch – 301-345-1849
Realty 1 – 301-982-0044

Other –

Eastern Mortgage, Tina Lafara – 301-352-3560 ext 204
Greenbelt American Legion Post 136 – 301-345-0136
Ruby Tuesday – Cipriano Square 301-552-0100
Siri's Chef's Secret – 301-345-6101



City Information

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

City Offices will be closed Monday, September 1st in observance of Labor Day. The Greenbelt Connection will not be operating.

REFUSE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Week of September 1st

Monday Route - Collected Tuesday

Tuesday Route - Collected Wednesday

Wednesday Route - Collected Thursday

Thursday Route - Collected Friday

There will be no appliance or yard waste collections on Friday, September 5th.

OPENINGS ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups.

Vacancies exist on the:

ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD

RECYCLING AND ENVIRONMENT

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

PARK AND RECREATION

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

For more information, please call 301-474-8000.



New Hours for Skate Park

Located at the Lakecrest Tennis Courts.

Monday through Friday, 3:00-7:00pm

Saturday and Sunday, 12:00noon-5:00pm

GREENBELT RESIDENTS ONLY!

Info: 301-397-2200

An Artful Afternoon

Sunday, September 7 from 1-5pm

Greenbelt Community Center

Enjoy this free mini arts festival featuring a studio open house, art exhibits, projects, Greenbelt Museum tours, etc.

1-3pm: Workshop on native Alaskan art forms with artist in residence, Gaines Clore Wynn.

2-4pm: Reception for new art exhibit, "Lost and Found: Works in Mixed Media by John Olson and Jefferson Pinder"

City of Greenbelt BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, September 9th

2:00-8:00pm

Greenbelt Municipal Building

Please contact Janet Goldberg at 301-397-2212 to schedule your life-saving donation!

Corrections to the Labor Day Festival Schedule:

Due to lack of registration, the Men's Labor Day softball tournament will not be held as originally scheduled.

Artful Afternoon will take place on Sunday, September 7 not Sunday, August 31.

Caregivers Needed for Survey

Persons who care for Greenbelt seniors are needed for a City of Greenbelt Needs Assessment Survey. Brief interviews will be conducted via telephone. Please call Gwen Worley at 301-474-8000 to volunteer as a respondent.

GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL 71

Municipal Access: 301-474-8000: Tuesday & Thursday, September 2 & 4: 6:00pm "New Deal Cafe Spring Crazy Quilt Festival 2002"

Public Access: 301-507-6581: Wednesday & Friday, September 3 & 5, 7:00pm "Return to Albion" **9:00pm** "An Evening with David Ives"

HELP WITH SCHOOL!

New sessions of the Tutoring Program, the Homework Club and the Moving Ahead program will begin the week of September 1st. Call Janet Goldberg at 301-397-2212 for more info. Also see www.ci.greenbelt.md.us

CITY OF GREENBELT ELECTION INFORMATION ELECTION CLERKS NEEDED

The City of Greenbelt Board of Elections is seeking several residents who would be willing to serve as election officials on November 4, 2003, from 6 a.m. until about 9 p.m. Clerks must also attend a training session on November 3 from 7:30 p.m. until about 9 p.m.

This is a rewarding experience for anyone who is interested in the political process and would like to play an active role in the local election. There is a stipend of \$135, plus a training fee of \$25. but the real compensation is the satisfaction of contributing to the community.

Please visit the City offices to submit an application, or call or e-mail Kathleen Gallagher, City Clerk, at 301-474-8000 or kgallagher@ci.greenbelt.md.us.

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Fresh Lean Pork Boneless Loin Chops	\$2⁹⁹ lb.
Fresh Lean Pork Boneless Loin Roast	\$2⁶⁹ lb.
Leidy Flavored Fresh Sausage Grillers	\$2⁸⁹ lb.
Kunzler Grill Franks	\$1³⁹ 16 oz.
Esskay Sliced Bacon Regular-Low Sodium	\$2⁶⁹ 16 oz.
Fresh 85% Extra Lean Ground Round	\$1⁷⁹ lb.
Fresh Perdue Boneless Chicken Thighs	\$1³⁹ lb.
Perdue Short Cuts Asst. Varieties	\$3⁹⁹ 10 oz.
Fresh Boneless Turkey Thighs	99¢ lb.
Hillshire Deli Select Lunchmeats	\$3⁴⁹ 10 oz.

DAIRY	DELI
Land-O-Lakes Cheese Chunks Assorted Varieties	Deli Gourmet Oven Roasted Chicken Breast
Simply Orange Pure Orange Juice	Shurfine Smoked Turkey Breast
Shurfine Individually Wrapped American Singles	Hatfield Virginia Baked Ham
Shurfine Soft Margarine	Land-O-Lakes American Cheese

HOT FOODS DELI	SEAFOOD
Fresh Crisp 2-Piece Fried Chicken Dinner	Oven Poppers Frozen Flounder Entrees
	Henry's Crabcakes
	Viking Frozen Breaded Flounder Fillets
BAKERY	
Fresh Baked Crusty French Baguette	

GROCERY BARGAINS	
Shurfine Peanut Butter Assorted Varieties	89¢ 18 oz.
Kellogg's Original Rice Krispies Cereal	\$1⁴⁹ 13.5 oz.
Shurfine Grape Jelly	89¢ 32 oz.
Wishbone Family Size Salad Dressings	\$1²⁹ 16 oz.
Shurfine Soda Assorted Varieties	6/99¢ 12 oz. Can
Hunt's Squeeze Ketchup	89¢ 24 oz.
Shurfine Instant Oatmeal Asst. Varieties	\$1²⁹ 12-15 oz.
Angel Soft Value Size Double Size Rolls Bathroom Tissue 12-Roll Pack	\$3⁹⁹
Sunlight Ultra Liquid Dish Detergent Asst. Varieties	\$1³⁹ 28 oz.
Schmidt's Old Tyme Sugar Free Whole Wheat -or-Classic Potato Bread	\$1⁴⁹ 16-18 oz.
Shurfine Barbecue Sauce Asst. Varieties	69¢ 18 oz.
Scotties Two-Ply White Facial Tissues	\$1³⁹ 250 Pk.
CO-OP SUPERMARKET WILL BE OPEN LABOR DAY 10am-Til-6pm Pharmacy Dept. Will Be Closed	
Bumble Bee Chunk Light Tuna	39¢ 6 oz.
Shurfine Mayonnaise	\$1¹⁹ 32 oz.
Glad Cling Plastic Food Wrap	89¢ 100 Ft.
Shurfine Original Tomato Soup	39¢ 10.75 oz.
Franco American Meatless Spaghetti-or- Spaghettios	49¢ 14-15 oz.
Dart Insulated Hot/Cold Cups	49¢ 51 Pk.-8.5 oz.
Lucky Leaf Lunch Pack Apple Sauce	\$2³⁹ 24 oz.-6 Pk.
Shurfine Egg Noodles Med.-Wide-Extra Wide	59¢ 12 oz.
Duncan Hines Fudge Brownie Mix Dark-Chewy	89¢ 19-21 oz.
Maxwell House Regular Ground Coffee	\$1⁴⁹ 11-13 oz.
All Purpose-Espresso-Lite-Master Blend-Slow Roast-Colombian	
Frito Lay Fritos-or- Cheetos Asst. Varieties	\$1⁴⁹ 9-11 oz.
Shurfine 100% Cocktail Juice Cranberry-or-Cranberry/Raspberry	\$1⁷⁹ 64 oz.
Shurfine Charcoal Briquets	\$4⁸⁹ 20 lb.
Orville Redenbacher Value Pack Microwave Popcorn	\$2⁴⁹ 6 Pk.

HEALTH & BEAUTY	
Best Yet Aspirin Tablets	99¢ 200 Pk.
Pro Line Professional Hairstyling Brushes	\$1³⁹ Each
HOUSEWARES	
Best Yet 35mm Color Film 100-200-400-ASA	\$1⁴⁹ 24 Exp.
Good Cook Barbecue Tool Set 3-Piece Set	\$2⁴⁹

FARM FRESH PRODUCE	
Ripe-or-Green Bananas	3/\$1⁰⁰
Red-or-Black Plums	99¢ lb.
Bartlett Pears	99¢ lb.
Crisp Gala Apples	99¢ lb.
Sweet Ripe Pineapple	\$2⁹⁹ Each
Fresh Sweet White Corn	3/99¢
Crisp Iceberg Lettuce	99¢ Head
New Crop All Purpose White Potatoes	\$1⁴⁹ 5 lb.
Fresh Boccoli Crowns	99¢ lb.
Premium Eggplant	79¢ lb.
Organic Romaine Lettuce	1⁵⁹ lb.

FROZEN FOOD	BEER & WINE
Steak-Umm Thin Sliced Beef Sandwich Steaks	Natural Light Beer
Van De Kamps Value Pack Fish Sticks	Peppercorn Grove Wines
Totino's Pizza Rolls Asst. Varieties	Busch Beer
Pepperidge Farm Layer Cakes Asst. Varieties	Santa Carolina Wines

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TOTINO'S FROZEN ORIGINAL CHEESE PIZZA

9.8 oz.

69¢

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Excluding Coupon Items. Limit 1 Per Customer

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POLICE BLOTTER

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department. Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Carjacking

Springhill Lake Recreation Center, August 15, 8:43 p.m., police responded to a report of a robbery. Investigation revealed that a man was parked in the parking lot of the center when he was approached by two youths on foot, one armed with a shotgun. They ordered the victim out of the car and onto the ground. After taking the man's wallet and car keys, they shot him in the leg. Both youths then fled in the victim's vehicle, described as a silver 2000 Toyota 4-door, Maryland tags HEP725. The suspects are described as a black male 16 to 17 years of age, 6'1", 140 pounds, wearing a black cap, a black mask, a black bandana, a white shirt and long pants and a black male 16 to 17 years of age, 5'5", 110 pounds, wearing a white shirt over his face. The victim was transported to the hospital for treatment.

Robbery

6000 block Springhill Drive, August 20, 1:30 a.m., two people reported that they were walking home when four persons exited a nearby vehicle in the parking lot. The suspects approached the victims and began punching them and going through their pockets looking for money. The four then fled the scene. Both victims were treated and released on the scene by ambulance personnel for minor injuries. The suspects are described as three black males and a black female. Their vehicle is described as a light-colored Toyota Camry.

Unattended Child

Greenway Shopping Center, August 17, 1:40 p.m., a nonresident woman was arrested and charged with leaving a child in a vehicle unattended. Police observed a vehicle pull into a fire lane and the driver walk into a nearby store. Upon approaching the vehicle the officer discovered a child, three years of age, alone in the vehicle. The woman returned to the vehicle a short time later and was arrested. The suspect was released on citation pending trial.

Theft

7629 Greenbelt Road, August 18, 6:23 p.m., a cashier at Reidy's Exxon reported that as he was giving change to a customer when a man, who was standing in line, reached over and took money out of the register. The man then ran to a vehicle and drove away. The suspect is described as a black male in his twenties, 5'6" to 5'8", 150 pounds, with short black hair, brown eyes and a beard, wearing a white T-shirt and brown pants.

Burglary

On August 14 an arrest warrant was obtained in reference to a burglary reported June 17 in the 9300 block of Edmonston Road charging a nonresident man with burglary, forgery and uttering a false document.

Disorderly

12 Crescent Road, August 19, 10:24 p.m., a Greenbelt youth was arrested for assault, disorderly conduct and failure to obey a lawful order. Police responded to a report of disorderly juveniles. As an officer was speaking with the juveniles, one of the youths became disorderly and shouted profanities. He refused orders from the police to cease his actions and approached the officer in a threatening manner, at which time the officer had to forcibly place the youth under arrest. The youth was released to a parent pending trial.

Stolen Bicycle

Greenbelt Youth Center, August 16, 8:29 p.m., an unsecured silver and orange 20-inch Mon-goose brand bicycle was taken from the front of the center.

Trespass

Beltway Plaza Mall, August 16, 7:34 p.m., a 17-year-old Greenbelt youth was arrested for trespass when he was observed on the property of the mall after he had been banned by agents of the property. The youth was released to a parent pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

Drugs

6900 block Hanover Parkway, August 15, 11:18 p.m., a nonresident juvenile was arrested for possession of paraphernalia. The youth was observed by an officer running from the grounds of Schrom Hills Park. The youth returned to the park a short time later and was found to be in possession of paraphernalia commonly used to ingest marijuana. He was released on citation pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were stolen: a 1991 Plymouth Voyager van, August 15, from 100 block Westway, recovered the next day by the Prince George's County Police, no arrests; a purple 1998 Dodge Stratus 4-door, Virginia tags YAR7242, August 15, from 5900 block Cherrywood Lane; a 1994 Dodge Caravan, August 15, from 6100 block Breezewood Court, recovered in the area of Edmonston Terrace and Breezewood Drive, no arrests; a 1994 Ford Crown Victoria 4-door, August 16, from 7400 block Morrison Drive, recovered the same day by the Prince George's County Police, no arrests; a black 1997 Ford Taurus 4-door, Maryland tags HGS792, August 18, from 9100 block Breezewood Terrace; a silver 2002 Honda Civic 2-door, Maryland tags A070841, August 19, from 7600 block Mandan Road; a 2003 Dodge Caravan, August 19, from 7500 block Mandan Road, recovered August 21 by the Prince George's County Police, no arrests; a maroon 1997 Dodge Caravan, no tags, August 19 from 9100 block Edmonston Road; a black 1992 Honda VFR750 motorcycle, no tags August 19, from

DUI Checkpoint Created Good Vibes

Chief James Craze reports that last month the Greenbelt Police Department conducted its first DUI (driving under the influence) checkpoint funded by a State Highway Administration grant secured by Greenbelt's traffic officer, MPO Scott Kaiser. The operation was manned by 15 Greenbelt police officers, two Public Works employees and one U.S. Park Police officer. It was observed by an official from Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD).

The checkpoint lasted from 10 p.m. on Friday, July 18 until 4 a.m. the following morning. During that time, 1,532 motorists were stopped. There were six arrests for DUI. The five men and one woman arrested included two Greenbelt residents. None was underage.

According to Craze the event gave officers a good opportunity to interact with the community and many positive comments were received from the public for this endeavor.

7700 block Hanover Parkway; a blue and yellow 2002 Suzuki GSXR600 motorcycle, Maryland tags 891D86, August 19, from 6200 block Springhill Lane; a red 1992 Dodge Caravan, Maryland tags 022M645, August 21, from 8000 block Lakecrest Drive; a gray 1991 Plymouth Voyager van, Maryland tags AAD98J, August 22, from 100 block Westway.

Five vehicles were recovered. An arrest was made in one recovery.

7600 block Mandan Road, August 19, an officer observed a 1999 Honda Accord 4-door abandoned with the doors and trunk open. Investigation revealed that the vehicle had not yet been reported stolen from the 7700 block of Mandan Road.

Thefts from, attempted thefts from and vandalism to vehicles were reported in the following areas: Woodland Way, Greenknolls Place (two incidents), 4 court Hillside, unit block Crescent Road, 8000 block Lakecrest Drive, 7200 block Hanover Drive, 7700 block Hanover Parkway, 6100 block Greenbelt Road, 7400 block Greenbelt Road, 6100 block Breezewood Drive, 9000 block Breezewood Terrace, 5900 block Cherrywood Lane, 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace, 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace, 9200 block Edmonston Road, area of Edmonston Terrace and Breezewood Court.

Bus Phone Bank

Prince George's County Public Schools Transportation Office has established a phone bank to provide bus route information to parents. Although bus route information has been mailed to parents, the phone bank is designed to handle the large volume of calls regarding bus routes. To access the phone bank call 301-952-6570 between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday until late September.

The phone bank provides bus route information only; requests for route changes will not be considered until after school begins.

Greenbelt Police Sting Motorists

On Wednesday, August 20, the Greenbelt Police Department conducted a pedestrian violation 'sting' in the 7700 block of Hanover Parkway. During the operation, police masquerading as pedestrians dressed in street clothes, walked normally across the street in marked cross-walk areas. Other officers pulled over violators who did not stop for the pedestrians.

As a result of the 'sting,' which took place adjacent to Eleanor Roosevelt High School, an average of 25 motorists an hour were stopped. Among the violators, one person was arrested after he was found to have an open arrest warrant; one was arrested for driving while his operator's license was suspended and a juvenile was arrested for driving without a license. Several drivers were also cited for having fake or altered tags.

Officers actually witnessed many more violations. They were able to stop only a fraction of the violators because motorists continuously failed to stop for pedestrians even as officers were busy citing motorists who had been pulled over.



Motorists who fail to stop for pedestrians in marked cross walks (below) may be paying a fine for their oversight as city police conduct a sting operation to catch violators.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF GREENBELT POLICE

The 'sting,' the first of three planned this year, was supposed to coincide with Greenbelt's Pedestrian Safety Month, which takes place in June. It was extended to Pedestrian Safety Summer because of the many rainy days.

The 'stings' are funded by the Maryland State Highway Administration. They go hand in hand with the department's efforts in the city's elementary schools to educate students about pedestrian safety.

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ated the Advisory Committee on Education (ACE), as well as the Four Cities Coalition among Greenbelt, College Park, New Car-rollton and Berwyn Heights, to expand inter-city cooperation.

Putens has taken a leading role on senior citizen concerns and initiated establishment of the Senior Task Force, which led to establishment of the permanent Senior Citizen Advisory Committee. He has been active in efforts to control development and address the traffic concerns arising from proposed developments. He (with the mayor) met with Governor Glendening to urge successfully that the state purchase 75 acres next to the Metro property, to which additional acres will be donated by the owners. He initiated the eventually successful effort to have a traffic light installed at Greenbelt and Mandan Roads, and a guard rail installed at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

One of the trends during Putens' tenure which has pleased him most has been the expansion of the City's recreation facilities (Community Center, indoor pool, renovated outdoor pool, renovated Youth Center, Schrom Hills Park) and recently upgrading of the GHI playgrounds, lighting of Braden field and the plans for a skateboard park.

Until 1993, Putens was the only Council member living in Greenbelt East, and he has worked actively with the Greenbelt East Advisory Committee (GEAC), of which he was a co-founder. He was an original member of the Windsor Green Board of Directors, and served for eight years.

He is currently Board President of the Greenbrook Estates Homeowners Association. He has served as an usher at St. Hugh's Church for many years.

Putens has also been active in a variety of community organizations, including Greenbelt Consumer Co-op, Friends of the Greenbelt Museum, the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club, and previously the Greenbelt Arts Center. He was an active participant in the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club programs when his children were younger.

While on the City Council, Putens has served on numerous county, state and national committees to represent Greenbelt's interests. He is a member of the regional Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments (COG), Prince George's County Municipal Association, Maryland Municipal League, and National League of Cities (NLC). He currently serves on the COG Human Resources and Public Safety Policy Committee, which he previously chaired, and was a member of COG's Transportation Planning Board. Putens has served on several committees of the National League of Cities, including the Public Safety Policy Committee, and is now on the Steering Committee of NLC's Small Cities Council.

Putens is a graduate of the University of Maryland where he earned his degree in microbiology and was a member of the University's lacrosse team. While attending college, he was employed in various research capacities for medical and research development companies and co-authored several patents dealing with eliminating air pollutants.

Editor's Note: As each candidate officially files for the office of City Council, the News Review will publish a biography and a photo as provided by the candidate. Biographies may be edited for length and content not related to a biography.

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More National Night Out



Derek Thompson, president of the Windsor Green Home Owners Association, receiving an award and photograph of the members of the Greenbelt Police Department, recognizing Windsor Green for their long time participation in the annual National Night Out Campaign, held this year on August 5. Each year Windsor Green has a barbecue for residents and members of the police department. Pictured with Thompson, from left to right are Lieutenants Michael Craddock and Tom Kemp.



Pictured from left are Windsor Green Neighborhood Watch Chairperson Katy Pape and Vice-Chairperson Judith Thompson who received the same award as above.

Editor's Note: You may recall that two other photos of National Night Out awardees were published in the August 14 issue of the newspaper. The photos above were inadvertently omitted.

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assignment – back to Greenbelt. When he returned, the church had found him a new residence at 18 Court Ridge, which he christened by having the kitchen painted bright red. Soon after, he met a young Lutheran school-teacher at a training camp in Baltimore.

Nancy, a native of Ohio, had trained as a teacher at a college near Chicago and then worked in a New Jersey school. When she and Ed first met at the camp, “Neither of us was too impressed with the other,” she says, laughing. But it didn’t take long for them to correct that false start. They fell in love and married in 1957 and he brought Nancy back to Greenbelt, where she was warmly welcomed by the church and community.

In the early years, Birner faced one frustration with Greenbelt.

“I thought we needed to provide activities for young people, and for adults, but none of the activities I was familiar with – bowling leagues, softball teams, arts groups – were needed. Everything was already organized,” he said.

So as pastor he stressed family, limiting the number of church meetings to allow members time with their loved ones. He and Nancy focused on their family as well, having four sons and holding church kindergarten in their home when their children were young. With their family growing, they moved to 13N Ridge Road, a three-bedroom block end unit that a member offered to the church at cost as a parsonage.

“To us it was a palace,” says Nancy. She hosted Sunday school for preschoolers in their home, held Bible studies during the week, was active in the church women’s group, babysat, drove members to church and substituted in the Greenbelt school.

With her background as a Lutheran teacher, she believed that her eldest son should go to Lutheran school. “When they opened the Beltway, I thought the Lord had put it there so I could take Andy to Lutheran school. And then someone gave us a car,” she joked. “But we realized that it separated him from the Greenbelt community and it separated us, because we wanted to be active in school activities here. We were happy when he came back to school here.”

A New Church

The congregation, too, was outgrowing its basement sanctuary. Once the church basement was completed, the room was set up for Sunday school and two church services. A temporary solution became a long-term challenge when cost overruns and construction problems forced a series of delays. “The budget that we projected was already used up just in building the basement, so we decided to stop right there,” Birner recalled.

For nearly a decade, church members faithfully walked down the steps every Sunday to hear Birner preach. With room for 200 and a membership topping 330, members of the church set up the room for Sunday school, then for two church services. Members who lived outside the city had a difficult time finding the church. Others who did saw that it was just a basement and drove off, he said.

When he heard about news of the planned development of the Beltway in the 1960s, Birner saw a possible solution – and a way that the church could gain a more visible location.

“The Beltway was going to cut off some land from Greenbelt Park, and I wondered what was going to happen to that little piece of property,” he said. Birner

pursued the issue with the planning district and then contacted Rep. Richard Lankford, who introduced a bill for the land transfer in the U.S. House of Representatives.

After he made numerous trips to Capitol Hill to testify and lobby for the land, Congress passed the bill. Ten years after the basement church was opened, the new building opened in 1969 at 6905 Greenbelt Road.

On opening day, the congregation crowded into the basement and spilled outside and formed a procession to travel together to the new church, where they filled the pews and the halls in celebration. In the new church, no basement exists – it was too expensive and, as Nancy says, “People were mighty tired of going down the steps.”

An Active Retirement

After his retirement in 1993, Birner widened his church orbit, serving as interim minister at churches in Crofton, Laurel and Bowie and other nearby locations. He and Nancy stayed in Greenbelt and as members of Holy Cross to the delight of their church family and friends. They look forward to the festivities next Sunday.

Their four sons – Andrew, Paul, Jonathan, and Joel – will be there. Paul has carried on the family tradition by becoming a minister and Jonathan is a church musician. Birner’s brother is coming from California and his sisters will travel to Greenbelt from Ohio and Illinois. One family is coming in from Florida to the celebration, which is expected to draw quite a crowd.

“It will be wonderful to see everyone,” Birner said. “The challenge will be remembering their names.”

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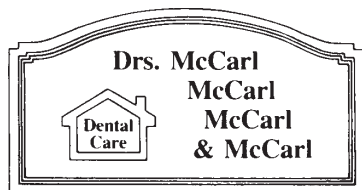
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Kids can parade their pets (of any and all kinds) and win prizes in a variety of categories at the Children's Pet Show which takes place at 9:30 on Saturday morning on the front lawn of the Community Center. Following the Pet Show, there will be a petting zoo with rescued farm animals from Carol's Critters.

The Home Run Derby is on Braden Field #2 starting at 12:15 p.m. Registration is from 9 a.m. to noon on that day. There is an entry fee and entrants must provide their own pitcher. The Closest to the Flag Golf Contest is at 1:30 p.m. on the Braden Football Field. Registration is at 1 p.m. There are trophies awarded to winners. Both the Home Run Derby and the Golf Contest are sponsored by the Recreation Department.

The 44th Annual Larry Noel 15K Foot Race will be held on Sunday at 5 p.m. Registration is at 4 p.m. at the Youth Center. The starting line is on Northway and Woodland Way. A 3K Fun Run will begin at 5:10 p.m. from the Braden Field Tennis Courts. These two events are sponsored by the DC Roadrunners.

And finally, for the kids, the Lions Club will once again sponsor the annual "Bikes and Trikes"

entry in the Labor Day Parade on Monday morning. Contestants will meet at the Mother and Child Statue in Roosevelt Center at 9:30 a.m.

Art/Photo Shows

The annual Art Show which is sponsored by the Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts (GAVA) and a separate Photo Show open on Saturday at 1 p.m. in the Community Center. These events showcase the wealth of local talent in Greenbelt and surrounding areas. Entries are judged and ribbons are awarded in various age categories for art works and in general categories for photos. A tour of these two galleries provides a very enriching experience. It also provides a cool and quiet respite from the activity of the carnival and the stage events.

CMARC

The Central Maryland Amateur Radio Club (CMARC) holds its sixth annual "Open Tent" on the Community Center Lawn from noon to 10 p.m. on Saturday. CMARC members will attempt to contact ham radio operators around the world. Hands-on exploring is encouraged. CMARC plays an integral part in helping to organize the parade on Monday morning.

Information Day

Many of the community's service groups and several Greenbelt businesses and business organizations will operate information tables on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. These tables will be located in Roosevelt Center. It's a good time to talk to the volun-

teers of some of the city's non-profit groups and the owners of businesses. There is no selling at these tables, but information abounds.

Festival Committee

The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee will be operating an information booth throughout the festival as well as a phone line (301-345-0204). The booth is located directly across from the stage and will also be the center for the committee's fundraising activities. Raffle tickets for \$200 worth of Co-op groceries will be sold as well as raffle tickets for two Longaberger picnic baskets. These drawings are on Monday. Patriotic T-shirts will also be available for purchase the entire weekend. Even as this festival goes on, fundraising (which is very important to the success of the festival) continues.

The individuals in the information booth (as well as raising money for the festival) can provide directions to a favorite booth (although maps are provided at two locations on the grounds) and answer questions relating to any other part of the festival. While there, thank the volunteers (or any volunteer seen at the festival - these will be identified by badges, shirts and baseball caps) for a job well done. None of the committee members is paid, from the president on down. Their only reward is the pleasure of having been a major part of building "Unity Through Community Involvement" and keeping this wonderful festival alive.

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Blues Underground, plays the bass for Shoe Suede Blues; John Palmer, who has toured with Ronnie Dawson, The 5th Dimension, The Diamonds, The Penguins and Sha Na Na, plays the drums; and Richard Mikuls, who has performed as Rufus with Chaka Khan, BB King, Ike and Tina Turner, Chuck Berry, Ray Charles, Little Richard and Jerry Lee Lewis, plays guitar and sings lead and backup.

Diamond Alley

On Friday night, the stage will host Diamond Alley, one of Washington, D.C.'s most popular groups. Diamond Alley is a five piece dance/rock and variety band performing a diverse mix of contemporary and classic hits as well as original tunes. Diamond Alley is best known throughout the Mid-Atlantic region for their unusual vocal talent (all five members sing), outstanding live performances and audience rapport. This group is one of the few bands that perform tunes by Queen.

The band has received numerous awards and has worked with groups such as The Rembrants, Eddie Money, Nils Lofgren, Roger Clinton, The Four Tops, The Coasters and Mick Fleetwood of Fleetwood Mac. Band members are lead vocalist/keyboardist Kris Fath, bassist David Oliver, guitarist Marc Musser, keyboardist/saxophonist Bill Baker and drummer Doug Macuch.

Mary Shaver Band

The Mary Shaver Band is new to the festival this year and will perform on the Labor Day Festival

stage Saturday night. They are a four-piece blues band that was formed in 1999. The band has captivated audiences with its ability to consistently deliver strong and clear vocals on a bed of thick and gutsy guitar riffs. The drummer (Raice McLeod) and bass guitarist (Wade Matthews) instinctively and impeccably lock in the rhythm, allowing Mary Shaver and the lead guitarist and vocalist (Keith Grimes) great flexibility in performance. Whether the band is working an audience up with a quick soul song or reeling them in with a sultry blues ballad straight from their hearts, the Mary Shaver Band delivers.

2nd Conspiracy

The final night of the festival will feature Wayne Brown & 2nd Conspiracy on stage. This band is a good time rock 'n roll band with a professional performance and solid sound. Formed 15 years ago, a product of the Louie Al-Phontz Conspiracy (a NW Washington band), Wayne Brown has been playing keyboards and performing all his life. Along with him are Frank Burton on lead vocals, Chris "Pooter" Brown on drums, Mike Greco on bass and vocals and Jerry "JP" Pickholtz on lead guitar and vocals. This group has performed with legends such as Dion, The Mamas and Pappas, The Crystals, The Bogues, The Grass Roots, Three Dog Night, Dennis Yost, Gary Puckett, The Buckingham and the Fabulous Hubcaps to name just a few.

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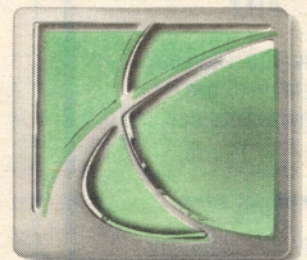
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